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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(b)(5)**

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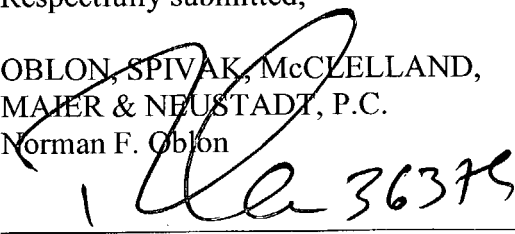
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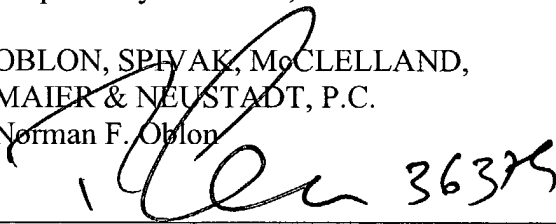
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